

## WHY FUNSTON RETURNS

Incurred Enmity of Cuban Army Leaders in 1897.

## DESERTED THE INSURGENTS

After Gaining High Rank as Leader Against Spaniards, the Butcheries by Soldiers Compelled Him to Leave—Gen. Bell Ordered to Take Charge—Funston to California.

The announcement from Havana that Brig. Gen. Funston would accompany Secretary Taft back to this country, instead of remaining in Cuba to command the first expeditionary brigade, caused a great deal of surprise, as it was only a little more than a week ago when instructions came to the War Department from Secretary Taft directing that formal orders be prepared for Gen. Funston to command the American troops in Cuba. A few days after the President sent for Brig. Gen. Bell, chief of staff of the army, and told him to go to Havana and report to the Secretary of War. At that time Gen. Bell said that he did not know what he would do in Havana, or why Secretary Taft had sent him there. It now seems that Secretary Taft had then decided that Gen. Funston should return to this country, and wanted Gen. Bell to take his place.

Officers Recall Affairs. Officers of the army and friends of Gen. Funston are recalling the circumstances of Gen. Funston's last departure from Cuba when he broke away from the insurrectionist forces and, against the wishes of the rebels then fighting Spain, came home. Gen. Funston was then in the rebel army. It now seems, according to the reports, that the men whom Gen. Funston displaced at the time of his departure from Cuba before the Spanish war are responsible for Secretary Taft's decision to revoke Gen. Funston's previous orders, pointing out to the Secretary that some other officer would doubtless be better able to manage the situation because of the feeling that might be stirred up against Gen. Funston.

Went to Cuba in 1897.

Before the Spanish-American war in 1897, Gen. Funston went to Cuba as a clerk in the Agricultural Department, to Cuba to help the rebels in their fight against Spain. Many young Americans seeking excitement did the same thing. Gen. Funston rose in the rebel army and obtained a command rank. His services were highly valued.

## Company Murdered Spaniards.

According to the story which Gen. Funston himself told when he returned to this country, the reason he left was because he could not tolerate the butchery indulged in by those under him. As the story is being repeated to-day, Gen. Funston's command at one time captured two companies of loyalists under the Spanish flag, and Funston received them as prisoners of war. Almost immediately after the surrender Gen. Funston was compelled to go elsewhere for a day or two. When he returned to his command, which had in its charge the two companies of prisoners, he found that all of the captured soldiers had been murdered. This was altogether too much, and Gen. Funston resolved to quit. But the Cuban leaders would not permit him to do so. He then had only one recourse, and that was to leave the country in any way possible. He was then in the central part of the island, and his best plan was to make for Puerto Principe and get a sailing vessel from there. He tried this, but was captured by the Spaniards. His position was very embarrassing, not to say dangerous, and the only thing he could do to save himself was to say to the Spanish officers that he was a deserter from the rebel forces. Even under these circumstances Consul General Lee had great difficulty in obtaining the soldier's liberty.

## Gen. Bell Succeeds Him.

In confirmation of the press dispatches yesterday morning, orders have been issued by Acting Secretary of War Oliver, relieving Gen. Funston from the command of the troops in Cuba, and assigning Gen. Bell, Chief of Staff, who is already in Cuba, to succeed him. Gen. Funston will come back with Secretary Taft and his party to-morrow on the battleship Louisiana, and it is expected he will return to his old command, in the Department of California.

Officials of the War Department were taken by surprise by the news of the general's sudden orders to return, but the explanation given in the dispatches, that it was found Gen. Funston had incurred the enmity of so many leading Cubans by his decided stand when there before, against the slaughter of defenseless prisoners, that it was deemed best to put some one else in charge of the military expedition. The recall is not regarded in any way as a reflection on Gen. Funston.

Gen. Bell will probably be back in Washington before many weeks, because of his duties as Chief of Staff, which are now being taken care of by Gen. Barry. Gen. T. J. Wint, who has been directing the embarkation of troops at Newport News, is talked of as his probable successor.

## Last Detachment Leaves.

Gen. Wint's duties at Newport News are practically ended, inasmuch as the last detachment of troops, the Eleventh Cavalry, and one pack train left yesterday on the transport Zealandia. The movement of troops has been very rapid the last few days; a half dozen transports sailing for Havana on Wednesday. The Panama and Andes arrived at Havana Wednesday, according to advices received from Gen. Funston.

## SHOULD GO SLOW ON CUBA.

Spencer Says Annexation Ought to Be at Island's Request.

Senator Spencer, of Wisconsin, called at the White House yesterday morning. The Senator's name is said to be under consideration for a vacancy on the bench and has been mentioned for a position in the Cabinet.

Senator Spencer is a member of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate, and when asked about Cuban affairs said that this nation's promise is to preserve the independence of the island, and that it appeared to him better to await a request for annexation from the Cubans before undertaking to annex the island on our own initiative.

## FRAUD IN NATURALIZATION.

Twenty-five Holders of Illegal Citizenship Papers Fined.

New York, Oct. 11.—There was a round-up of holders of fraudulent naturalization papers in the United States Criminal Court, criminal branch, to-day when Judge Thomas sentenced twenty-five, who had pleaded guilty, to fines and terms of thirty days imprisonment in Kings county penitentiary.

The cases and the pleas of guilty entered by the defendants are the result of investigations made by Ramsey C. Metzger, the special agent of the secret service in charge of naturalization fraud bureau.

## MONTE CRISTI PACIFIED.

Insurgent General Ricardo Will Surrender to Government To-day.

Commander Southerland, in command of the United States naval forces at Santo Domingo, has informed the Washington government that the insurrection in Monte Cristi province is at an end. A full agreement has been reached between the government forces and the insurgents. This is to the effect that to-day Gen. Ricardo, in command of the insurgents, will surrender his whole force to Gen. Limardo, the government leader. The surrender is to take place in the presence of President Cabrera of the republic with all formality.

It is extremely desirable on the part of the Santo Domingo government that it be able to show to the United States Senate peaceful conditions and a united country when the United States Congress shall meet, because unless the Senate shall ratify the pending treaty placing the United States in charge of the fiscal affairs of the Santo Domingo republic, the bonds which it is proposed to issue would not be worth the paper they are written on.

## AOKI CALLS ON ROOT.

Japanese Ambassador Says Mission of Hanihara Is Completed.

Viscount Aoki, the Japanese Ambassador, who has just returned from his summer vacation, called to pay his respects to Secretary of State Root, yesterday. He said that Mr. Hanihara, the second secretary of the Japanese Embassy here, who was sent to Alaska to investigate the killing of several Japanese, who were caught poaching on the American seal island of St. Paul, and to look after the defense of the dozen Japanese who were captured by officials of the Department of Commerce and Labor at the same time, has completed his work, and left Japan yesterday for the United States.

## ISLE OF PINES APPEALS

Secretary Taft Asked to Grant Separate Government.

## ANSWER TO BE GIVEN TO-DAY

Reply Will Be That Administration Has Decried the Isle Part of Cuban Territory—Irritating Street Parades by Swagging Liberal Officers in Uniform to Be Stopped.

Havana, Oct. 11.—If, as has been charged, the American capitalists who are interested in the Isle of Pines, brought about the revolution in Cuba in order to stir American intervention and have the Isle of Pines recognized as an integral part of the United States, instead of Cuban territory, they spent their money in vain.

Secretary of War Taft received a commission of residents of the Isle to-day, who demanded a separate government for that territory. The Secretary told them he would reply to their petition to-morrow. It can be announced with authority, however, that at that time he will tell them that he represents the Washington administration, which has already made the decision that the Isle of Pines is a part of Cuban territory.

The commission which called on Secretary Taft to-day was headed by Capt. Stark, of Pittsburgh, who made an eloquent plea to the War Secretary, urging that more than half of the inhabitants of the Isle of Pines are Americans, and that fully nine-tenths of the land there is the property of American capitalists.

Don Guerra, a number of the other insurgent leaders, were guests of honor at a banquet at the Liberal Club to-night, the toastmaster being Gen. Gomez. Speeches denouncing the Moderates were made, and a general jubilation followed.

## To Stop Gay Parades.

The practice of Liberal officers parading the streets in brilliant uniforms, resembling nothing so much as birds of paradise, is causing much unfavorable comment, and it is expected that the provisional government will issue an order to-morrow compelling all officers to stop parading the streets in their glittering raiment. Political processions are also to be put under the ban as a result of to-night's parade of Liberals. A large number of Liberals took part in the procession to-night, it being headed with an immense banner, bearing the inscription "Viva Partido Liberal."

The procession was received with much hooting as it passed the Moderate Club and other centers of Moderate sympathizers on the Prado.

## EIGHT-HOUR LAW IS BROKEN.

Workmen and Contractors Present Unique Petition to Government.

Chicago, Oct. 11.—The government is accused of violating its own eight-hour law.

The accusation is made by contractors on improvement work along the Lake front here, and at neighboring ports. The contractors have even succeeded in convincing District Attorney Sims that their charges are well founded. Mr. Sims has appealed to the Department of Justice for instructions, "in view of extraordinary circumstances" found in his investigation.

The contractors point out that the government specifications provide that working hours may be such as are agreed upon by the employer and employee. The workmen, too, object to curtailment of their earning power, and will meet in a few days to plan for fighting the law.

## MEDICAL SOCIETY'S OFFICERS.

Dr. Paul Brandon Barringer Is President for Coming Year.

Special to The Washington Herald. Charlottesville, Va., Oct. 11.—The Medical Society of Virginia to-night elected the following officers:

President, Dr. Paul Brandon Barringer, University of Virginia; vice presidents, Drs. B. Brown Bagby, Walkerton; Frank Horace Hancock, Norfolk; and Charles Frederick Rinker, Upperville; recording secretary, Dr. Landon H. Edwards, Richmond; corresponding secretary, Dr. J. F. Winne, Richmond; treasurer, Dr. R. M. Slaughter, Theological Seminary; chairman executive committee, Dr. Paul A. Irving, Richmond; chairman committee on nomination of applicants for fellowship, Dr. William D. Turner, Shoal Bay.

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## ALEXANDRIANS ROBBED

Swindler Succeeds in Passing Worthless Checks.

## ESCAPES FROM THE HOTEL

Volunteer Firemen from Marion, Pa., Entertained by the Local Companies—No Change in Strike Situation—Bank Deal on To-day—Interesting News Items.

WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU.

(Bell Telephone No. 111).

Northeast corner of Second and Royal streets.

Alexandria, Va., Oct. 11.—A shrewd swindler travelling under the name of John Hummel, of New York City, and claiming to be a member of Lodge No. 1, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, yesterday succeeded in gaining the confidence of John Riley, of the firm of Riley & Sparks, proprietors of the Elkon Cafe, and William Rammel, of the Hotel Rammel, and prior to his sudden and rather hasty departure succeeded in having a check drawn on the Commercial Bank of Rochester, N. Y., for the sum of \$25, cashed by Mr. Riley. Hummel, in return for the hospitable manner in which he was treated at Rammel's, succeeded in getting William Rammel to cash a similar check for \$15.

Hummel arrived in this city last Tuesday and registered at the Hotel Rammel. After looking about the city and making several trips to Washington, he told Mr. Rammel a plausible story about being temporarily financially embarrassed, and said that he would like to have a check cashed for \$15. Mr. Rammel promptly granted the request. After Hummel received the money he told Mr. Rammel to hold the check until this morning, and he would take it up. Afterward Hummel proceeded to the Elks' Cafe, conducted by Riley & Sparks. He looked over the place, and after a few preliminaries agreed to purchase the stock and good will of the firm for \$3,000. He then left for Washington, ostensibly to attend to some banking business, and returned at 7 o'clock that evening to consummate the deal. When Hummel returned he was introduced to a large number of prominent Elks, and he told them he would purchase their building, at Prince and Royal streets. The price, it is said, of \$12,000 was in short order agreed upon. This was entirely satisfactory to Hummel, and on the strength of his prospective purchase he treated all in the house.

Hummel at once wanted to give Riley & Sparks a check for their stock and good will and take cash at once. A representative of the firm decided that it was rather late in the day to consummate the deal, especially so far as the check was concerned. Hummel was apparently incensed, but he promised to return this morning and settle in full. With this objection in view he left the Elks' Cafe, accompanied by Mr. Riley, and before many minutes had elapsed he told Mr. Riley a story about being financially embarrassed, and after giving him a check on the Commercial Bank of Rochester, N. Y., succeeded in getting the sum of \$25.

About 1 o'clock this morning Mr. Rammel was informed that Hummel had cashed another check. Mr. Rammel, several citizens who were present decided that if Hummel attempted to leave early in the morning they would have him arrested. Hummel was apparently sleeping the sleep of the just, for when the old town clock tolled the hour of 8 he had not arisen. It was finally decided to open his door and arouse him. Much to the astonishment of the hotel-keeper, when the door was opened it was found the bed had not been slept in.

A telegram was sent this morning to the Rochester bank, asking if Hummel had an account with them. To-night the following telegram was received in reply: "No account with John Hummel; Hummel is apparently of German extraction, and is about forty years of age. He is well built and has a fair complexion and blue eyes. When he left here he wore a dark suit and rain coat and derby hat."

Mr. Rammel to-day went to Washington and tried to locate Hummel, but was unsuccessful.

## Volunteer Firemen's Visit.

The members of the Marion Volunteer Steam Fire Engine Company and the Central Band of Reading, Pa., who are making a Southern tour, arrived here this morning from Norfolk, Va. The fire lads were met at the Norfolk Company's wharf by a number of the members of the Hyde Park Volunteer Firemen's Association and escorted to their headquarters at the Elkon. The visiting firemen were in charge of Commander George Trevel and Capt. Joseph Beckman. The men paraded the streets this morning and subsequently serenaded George W. Petty, chief of the local fire department. After visiting the various points of historical interest the firemen left for Washington, where they will go to New York, Pa., and afterward they will go to Reading, Pa., from which place they will go to Reading. The visitors have been on their jaunt since Sunday last.

## Fire Companies Run.

An exhibition run was given this morning by the Columbia and Reliance Steam Fire Engine companies. The Columbia of the visiting firemen. The Reliance Company succeeded in hooking up their horses and covering a block and a half in eleven seconds. The Columbia Company succeeded in hooking up and covering a block and a half in fourteen seconds. The visitors were well pleased with the exhibition.

## Banks Trial To-day.

The case of Howard Banks, colored, recently indicted for the murder of Thomas Elzey, also colored, will be called for trial in the corporation court to-morrow. Forty-six talesters have been summoned from which to secure a jury. Banks will be represented by Attorney Samuel G. Brent will conduct the prosecution.

## No Change in Strike.

The situation among the machinists of the Southern Railway Company, who went on a strike on last Monday, remains practically unchanged. The men are conducting themselves in a very orderly manner, and no trouble of any kind is anticipated. It is said, however, that the officials of the Southern Company have employed a number of watchmen, who are now stationed at the machine shops to guard their property.

## Police Court News.

Harry Brown was fined \$5 in the Police Court this morning on the charge of disorderly conduct. The crown was only a few days ago fined \$5 for beating his wife. Irene Rusford, Bessie Keys, Ida Fuller, Pearl Hawkins, Marie Waine, Sophie Tolson, and Lucy Shepherd, all colored, were charged with disorderly conduct and vagrancy. It was testified that they nightly loiter around a saloon in the northeastern section of the city, and become very disorderly. The Fuller and Tolson women were dismissed, and the others were fined \$2.50 each.

## A defective flue in a house on North West street at 1 o'clock this afternoon brought out the entire fire department.

The services of the firemen were not needed, as the trouble was remedied before their arrival.

The funeral of Mrs. Susan C. Webster, whose death occurred last Tuesday afternoon, will take place at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning from St. Mary's Catholic Church. The burial will be in Bethel Cemetery.

## READY TO TREAT WITH MEN.

Southern's General Manager Offers Increase of Pay.

Special to The Washington Herald. Richmond, Va., Oct. 11.—H. B. Spencer, general manager of the Southern Railway Company, has issued a signed statement to the operators at Spencer, N. C., in which the company offers to compromise with the striking machinists and apprentices. General Manager Spencer calls attention to the fact that the earnings of the company have not increased in proportion to the increase of expenses and taxes, and that the strikers have not acted altogether fairly by the road.

## BRIDE OF NAVAL OFFICER

Miss Lina Noltenius, of Petersburg, Weds Lieut. Cooke.

Capt. John Spillman Is Best Man, and Miss Emily Mason Maid of Honor. Fashionable Assemblage.

Petersburg, Va., Oct. 11.—The military wedding of Lieut. Herbert Clayborne Cooke, late of the United States Navy, and Miss Lina Victor Noltenius, which took place at 10:30 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, was a most brilliant affair, and was attended by a large and fashionable assemblage.

Miss Emily Mason was maid of honor, and Mrs. William Hannister, wife of Maj. Hannister, U. S. A., was matron of honor. Capt. John Spillman, U. S. N., was best man. The bridesmaids were Miss Elizabeth Bolling, of Annapolis, Md., and Miss Mary Meade Bernard, of Petersburg.

The bride looked very pretty in white crepe de chine, trimmed with maltese lace, and carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley. The bridesmaids and maid of honor wore dresses of white chiton over tulle and carried white roses and maiden-hair ferns.

The ushers were George P. Batte, of Norfolk; N. P. Cooke, of New York, and E. H. Plummer, H. Carter Meyers, J. E. Venable, and Robert A. Martin, of Petersburg.

The groom and his best man were both clad in uniform. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Robert W. Barnwell, the rector.

The bride, who is a most charming and attractive young lady, is the daughter of Mrs. H. Noltenius, of this city, and a great favorite in society circles here.

The groom has until recently been an officer in the United States Navy, attached to the war ship Cleveland. He is now an instructor in the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.

The couple left on an extended bridal trip North. The bride presents were numerous and handsome.

## NOT A "PEEPER," ONLY DRUNK

Japanese Steward of War Ship Causes Scare at Annapolis.

Annapolis, Md., Oct. 11.—J. Kondo, a Japanese steward attached to the United States monitor Arkansas, at the Naval Academy, got himself into trouble last night by imbibing too freely of Annapolis "tanglefoot." Kondo frightened the occupants of a house at the lower end of Main street by peeping into a window from a back shed. At first it was thought that he was attempting to burglarize the house, when the noise was heard outside by the occupants. Although intoxicated, Kondo fled. He was caught, however, and locked up for the night.

This morning he was taken before Police Justice Charles G. Feldmeyer, to whom he told his story of his wanderings. He said he was given a furlough and took three drinks at a downtown saloon, but remembered nothing more until he awoke this morning and found himself in a cell of the police station. He said he had no intention of entering a house. The charge of attempted burglary was not pressed against the Jap, so the justice imposed a fine of \$3.75 for disorderly conduct.

## E. P. GIBBS' TRIAL OPENS.

Queen Anne Farmer Charged with Killing Thomas Turner, Colored.

Special to The Washington Herald. Upper Marlboro, Md., Oct. 11.—When the trial of E. P. Gibbs, a prominent farmer of Queen Anne district, Prince Georges County, charged with the murder of Thomas Turner, colored, near Hardisty on July 3 last, began in the Circuit Court here this morning, the courtroom was packed, and intense interest was manifested.

The entire morning session was taken up with the selection of a jury, the defense taking advantage of ten challenges. Samuel E. Sweeney is foreman of the jury. Counsel for defense declare they will put fifty witnesses on the stand, and it is probable that the case will not go to the jury until Monday afternoon.

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Citizens, Awakened by Explosion, Save Contents of the Vault.

Dr. Triplett, of Mount Jackson, Opens Fire on Bandit Guard and Accomplies Flee.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Harrisburg, Va., Oct. 11.—A desperate but unsuccessful attempt to rob the People's Bank, at Mount Jackson, twenty-eight miles north of Harrisburg, was made at an early hour this morning. Five men were in the bank, one of whom was left on guard in the main street of the town while the others blew open the safe.

The robbers used nitroglycerin, the outside door of the vault being blown off with one charge of the explosive. Four charges were used in the attempt to enter the cash vault, but the door of the safe wedged so tightly that it was impossible.

Dr. J. I. Triplett, who lives across the street from the bank, was awakened by the explosions, and opened fire on the guard outside the building. The robber returned the fire, and the fusillade of bullets awakened other citizens and frightened the safe blowers, who ran up the railroad track and jumped into a vehicle which was waiting for them and disappeared in the direction of the mountains.

There is no clew to the identity of the men. They secured the tools from the Southern Railway tool house and Clem's blacksmith shop. A quantity of paper money and coin was mutilated by the explosion.



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We trust you will not be overcritical of the contents of these early numbers. On page 47 of the October 13 issue you will find some of our experiences reviewed. Fourteen car-loads of paper to fourteen cities; a big staff recruited; fourteen offices to equip; fourteen sets of matrices to get through by express; fourteen cities bringing out fourteen separate editions—and the whole accomplished in a little less than six weeks. Something of an achievement, "if we do say it, as shouldn't." Why didn't we take longer to get ready? We appeal to your experience. The only way to learn to drive a motor car or to ride a bicycle is to get out into the middle of the road and get on. It beats shop talk a mile.

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